GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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HOSPITALS MEDICAL CENTRES IN STATES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether due to non-availability of proper health care facilities in various States particularly in Bihar, the people rush to Delhi to get themselves treated in various Central Government Hospitals;

(b) whether some State Governments have failed to provide even minimum required health care services to their citizens;

(c) if so, whether the Union Government propose to set up Central Hospitals in the Statesin case the State Government fails to provide the minimum health care to their citizen;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SH SHANMUGAM)

(a)to(e) `Health` is State subject under the Constitution of India. It is the responsibility of the State Governments to provide Health Care facilities to the people in their concerned state keeping in view their priorities and availability of resources.

The Central Government Hospitals in Delhi provide Health Care facilities to the peopleirrespective of caste, creed, religion and location they belong to. The people of neighboring States and Bihar do avail themselves of the medical treatment in these Central Government Hospitals.